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I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "MODULAR LATCH APPARATUS AND METHOD" (Attorney Docket No. 87801/9004), the specification of which

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☒ was filed with my authority, on September 29, 1999 as Application Serial No. 09/408,993.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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